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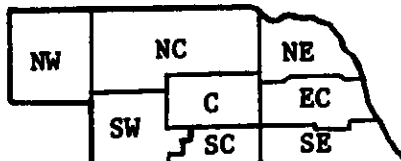
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WEATHER

Light precipitation fell at the beginning of the week but only one-tenth to two-tenths of an inch was reported in most places. The week was mild with temperatures averaging from one to eight degrees above normal.

CROPS

Winter wheat condition rated 2% poor, 69% fair and 29% good. The wheat crop is holding on with marginal moisture supplies. Producers hope there will be more precipitation received before the crop enters dormancy.

GENERAL

Most fall field work is now completed, according to the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. General equipment and livestock care were the most prominent activities last week. Tax planning and year-end reviews were being done by producers. Livestock producers were hauling hay and attending calf sales.

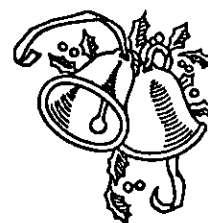
LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies rated 3% very short, 35% short and 62% adequate. Cattle continue on corn stubble. Good gains are being seen in feedlots. Hay supplies are holding but have been in demand by producers.

Topsoil moisture condition rated 70% short, 29% adequate and 1% surplus. Subsoil moisture level rated 91% short and 9% adequate. Producers were becoming concerned that there will not be enough moisture for spring growth if snow is not received.

Weather and Crops reports will be issued only once a month until early spring when weekly reports will resume. The next issue will be released January 3, 1989.

*Merry
Christmas
and
A Happy New Year*

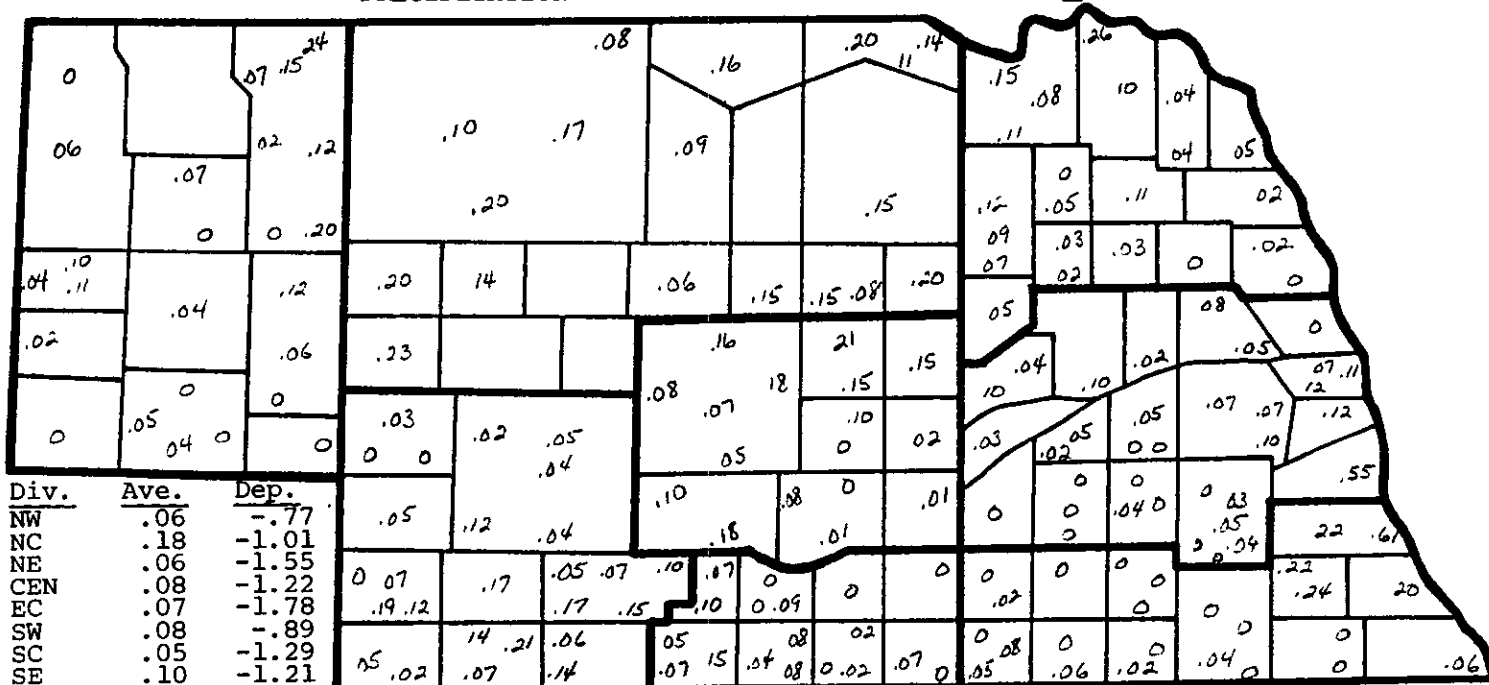


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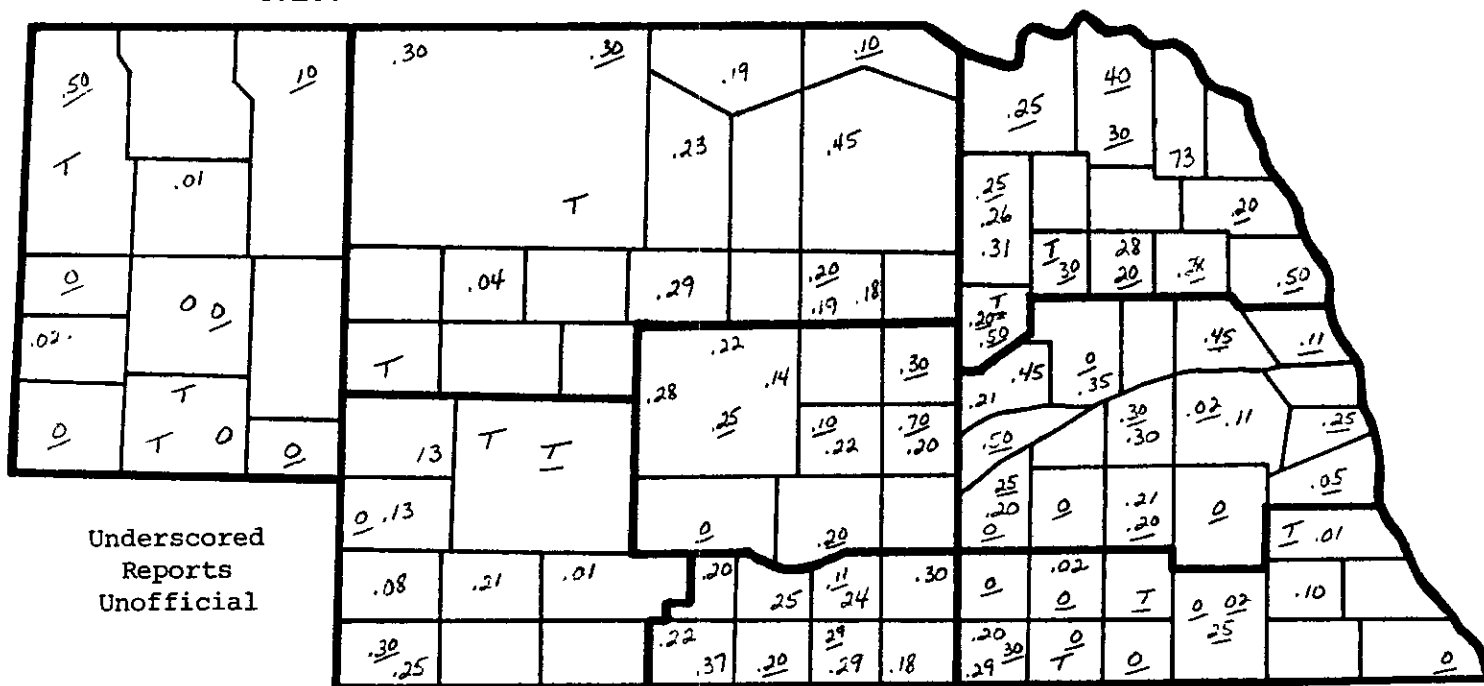
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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER 1988 1/



1/ Courtesy of the Center for Agricultural Meteorology and Climatology, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, The University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1988



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1988

Station		Temperature				Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	61	18	36	--	.04
	Scottsbluff	64	14	36	+5	.01
	Sidney	68	11	35	--	0
NC	Ord	69	9	38	--	.04
	Valentine	65	4	36	+8	.11
NE	Norfolk	60	8	33	+4	.24
	Sioux City	58	10	30	+1	.03
CEN	Grand Island	64	13	38	+7	.18
EC	Lincoln	65	15	36	+4	.04
	Omaha	60	13	35	+4	.09
SW	Imperial	69	15	39	--	0
	North Platte	65	10	37	+8	.05

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.